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RE:

Case No. 105, SRP Santan Expansion Project

Dear Beth:

Beth Cockrill

Utilities Division

JANET NAPOLITANO

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Enclosed are seven letters which I have received regarding Case No. 105, the SRP Santan Expansion Project. Please have them placed in Docket Control. In addition, could you please have copies made for each of the Committee members.

Thanks for your help.

Very Truly Yours,

Paul A. Bullis

Chairman, Arizona Power Plant and Transmission

Line Siting Committee

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Dear Mr. Bullis,

I am writing in regard to DOCKET No. L-00000B-00-0105, Case No.105, the SRP power plant expansion. I recently toured the present facility and talked with representatives from SRP. I have been very concerned about about the air pollution and became more concerned as I talked with them.

We have lived a little more than a mile from the San Tan plant for 12 years. Up until 3 years ago the plant operated at 10% or less capacity. We were told it was a peak demand plant.

If at 40% capacity the current plant is projected to put out 2645 tons of pollution. It would have put out less than 700 tons of pollution in 1997 and prior years.

Last year (1999), the plant operated at 24.7% capacity and in 1998 at 22.4% capacity. When I toured the plant last month it was operating at 100% capacity and producing visible fumes that produced a lot of heat and made breathing difficult. They claimed they had monitoring data to prove they were not impacting pollution levels in the area. I requested a copy of the monitoring reports. They agreed to send them. They did not send them, but only sent me an article on asthma being caused by bacteria.

The proposed new plant would put out 850 tons of pollution a year at 80% capacity. The existing plant with emission controls would produce 1080 tons of pollution a year operating at 40% capacity. The total would be 1970 tons. This is two to three times as much as it was emitting up until 3 years ago and more emissions than even last year in 1999.

The really scary part is that SRP makes no guarantees that they will not operate the plant at up to 100% in the future. In fact, with a deregulated market and the potential for profit from selling electricity to California and other states, it is very likely the plant will be used at full capacity in the future. Even if SRP guarantees that no power from the plant will be used outside the Phoenix Metro area, using this plant would free up electricity from more of their other plants to be sold on the open market.

SRP apparently has a grandfathered right to use the old plant as much as they want, both as it is now and after the emissions controls are installed. They are using the possibility of using the old plant 100% to scare us into thinking building a new plant will be beneficial.

If SRP uses the existing plant with emissions controls 80% instead of 40%, it would produce 2160 tons of pollution. The new plant used at 80% at the same time would yield 3010 tons of pollution. This is 2310 tons of pollution more than up until 3 years ago.

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The bottom line is the amount of pollution could greatly increase unless restrictions are put on SRP. Now is the best time to guarantee the future quality of our air here in Gilbert. Please put some restrictions on the use of the retrofitted current plan as a condition of building a new plant in Gilbert. SRP has refused to even consider agreeing on limits to usage. Even a 5% limited usage of the old plant plus the new one would give more emissions than pre-1998 (1020 tons). I hope you can consider this.

Also, disturbing in the fact that a new set of transmission lines will be built next to the old ones in Gilbert and extend to Apache Junction. They said they were approved last year before the power plant was proposed. First, I find it hard to believe these lines have nothing to do with transmitting power from the plant since they go directly to the plant and on to Apache Junction. Also, if they are building to the east edge of the valley, it couldn't be too much harder to extend them a few miles further outside the metro area and build a plant outside the metro area.

Since the San Tan plant is planned for a residential area, I am requesting that the existing plant with emission controls be restricted to a 5% usage as a condition of building the new plant. Since the existing plant only produces 325 mg of electricity at 100% capacity compared to 825 the new plant will produce and produces much more pollution (even with emission controls) it would make since to impose this condition. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Pager

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EXISTING

(40% CAP.) **EMISSIONS** PROJECTED YR 2000

2645 TONS

[Based on 62% of 2000 (24.7% CAP.) 1999 EMISSIONS

emissions

1640 TONS

[Based on 26.5% Cap.] (10.6 CAP)1997 EMISSIONS

700 TONS

emissions [Based on 25% or 2000 (10% OR LESS CAP.) BEFORE 1997

661 TONS OR

LESS

(80% CAP) PLANT W/ **NEW PLANT** (40% CAP) & CONTROLS EXISTING **EMISSION**

1970 TONS (-675 T*)

(+330 T*) **1970 TONS**

(+1270 T*) **1970 TONS**

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than in year in column 1) *# of tons more or less

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3010 TONS (+1040 T*)

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